IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael R.S. Hill et al. Examiner: F. Oropeza

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Title: CLOSED LOOP NEUROMODULATION FOR PREVENTION AND

TREATMENT OF CARDIAC CONDITIONS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed 21 August 2006 having a three-month statutory period for reply set to expire on 21 November 2006. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in advance of the expiration of said period for reply.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.